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not materially different from other districts passed over in our previous route. Of plants not elsewhere noticed may be mentioned *Sphaeralcea acerifolia* Nutt. and *Rudbeckia occidentalis* Nutt. Near the summit of the high rocky peak overlooking Snake and Wind River valleys was found a new species of *Draba* characterized by Dr. Gray, under the name of *Draba ventosa* n. sp. (see Appendix, No. 15) : also *Aster montanus* Rich, the latter only known from high northern collections in British America.

From this accessible pass, by which the Yellowstone Park can be reached on a very direct route, we passed rapidly down the open valley of Wind River and reached our previous rendezvous at Camp Brown, on September 12th, after just two months' absence.

NOTE.—An appendix, containing characters of new species, etc., will follow and conclude this series of articles.

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## REVIEWS AND BOOK NOTICES.

THE ZOOLOGICAL RECORD FOR 1871.\*—To those who live away from libraries and would keep themselves informed as to the annual progress in any department of descriptive zoology, this record is invaluable. Working naturalists, also, more favorably situated, cannot do without it. We have found but few omissions in it, and American articles and memoirs are faithfully reported. The volume has been slow in making its appearance, and we hope better fortune and better health will fall to the lot of the editor and his assistants in the preparation of the volume for 1872.

## BOTANY.

THE FERTILIZATION OF GENTIANA BY HUMBLE BEES.—The closed gentian (*Gentiana Andrewsii*) has flowers an inch and a quarter or more in length. These inflated, bright blue flowers of late autumn appear to be always in the bud, as they never open. The corolla is twisted up so as to leave no opening at the top. The flowers are all nearly erect with two stigmas considerably above the five anthers. I see but one way in which it can be fertilized, that is by insects. Several of my students, as well as myself

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\* Being vol. viii, of the Record of Zoological Literature, edited by Alfred Newton, London, 1873. Van Voorst. 8vo. pp. 496.